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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
**Security Committee**

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30 January 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, DCI Security Committee

FROM:

[REDACTED]  
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: February Meetings of SCC and SCC/CI  
Working Group [REDACTED]

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1. You are scheduled to speak to the SCC/CI WG at 2:00 p.m., 5 February, on differences in Community personnel security investigative and clearance standards, their counterintelligence implications, and prospects for their solution. The meeting agenda will accommodate up to a half hour for your presentation. This meeting, originally scheduled for 30 January, will be in room 305, Old Executive Office Building. A presentation by you on this matter was suggested by [REDACTED] (his memo to [REDACTED] is attached). Background notes for your use and a suggested handout for the meeting are attached. [REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM FOR: .. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE WORKING  
.. GROUP MEMBERS

SUBJECT: Agenda for SCC/CIWG Meeting  
on 30 January 1980

A meeting of the SCC/Counterintelligence Working Group will be held on 30 January 1980 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in Room 305 of the Old Executive Office Building.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

a. Differing Personnel Security Clearance/Investigative Standards Within the Intelligence Community

- An effort is underway via the DCI Security Committee, to achieve better and more uniform clearance/investigative standards throughout the government, but progress is slow and difficult. Mr. Robert Gambino, Chairman of the Committee will inform the CIWG of Security Committee efforts to solve the CI problems involved in differing security clearance/investigative standards within the Intelligence Community, the issues still remaining and the prospects for their settlement.  25X1

b. Authoritative Identification of Critical Technology for Protection.

- Various efforts have been underway in the Department of Defense, the FBI and under COMEX (Committee on Exchanges) auspices to deal with this problem, trying thereby to optimize deployment of limited CI resources. The DoD, FBI and DCI representatives should be prepared to provide summary status reports to enable the CIWG to obtain an overview of the prospects and requirements for progress.  25X1

c. Intensified CI Actions Against the USSR

- The CIWG should be prepared to discuss any measures, in the CI field, which might be directed against the USSR as part of the overall reaction to the Soviet attack on

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Afghanistan. Such things as the size of the Soviet intelligence presence in the US [redacted]

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[redacted] and possible actions to be taken against this presence, should be discussed. It is fully recognized that the CIWG has only an advisory function in areas of this sort. Those working more directly on the problem of US-Soviet relations have indicated that views and recommendations by the CIWG would be welcomed. [redacted]

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d. Next National Assessment of Hostile Intelligence Services Multidisciplinary Threat and U.S. Countermeasures.

- Preparation of the next counterintelligence threat and countermeasures Assessment required by E. O. 12036 is beginning. Terms of reference will be worked out by the responsible staff in consultation with concerned Community agencies and contributions sought. Preliminary suggestions and comments by the CIWG on Assessment scope and objectives can be incorporated into the terms of reference and help in their formulation. [redacted]

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Any member of the CIWG who would like to have an item added to the agenda should feel free to call the chairman at any time. [redacted]

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Donald P. Gregg  
NSC Staff Member

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25X1A MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]  
Chairman, Counterintelligence Working Group  
National Security Council Staff

25X1A FROM: [redacted]  
Special Assistant to the DCI for  
Counterintelligence

SUBJECT: Proposed Agenda Item [redacted]

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1. At the request of my predecessor, [redacted] the following item was placed on the agenda of a May 1979 SCC/CI meeting:

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"Consideration of CI problems posed by differences in background investigation requirements of different agencies and departments."

Prior to the meeting, however, it was deleted from the agenda to allow more time for the DCI Security Committee to consider and work out a coordinated solution to the problem of differing security clearances/ investigative standards. [redacted]

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2. The problem continues to be with us, however; viz. the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Staff Report on "Security Clearance Procedures In The Intelligence Agencies," dated September 1979. I believe putting the issue back on the agenda of an early SCC/Counterintelligence Working Group meeting could help stimulate progress toward a needed solution. Good personnel security screening procedures are an essential aspect of a comprehensive defense against the total hostile intelligence service threat. [redacted]

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3. Please, therefore, place on the next CIWG meeting agenda a discussion led by the Chairman, DCI Security Committee, on its efforts to date to solve the CI problems involved in differing security clearance/ investigative standards within the Intelligence Community, the issues still remaining; and the prospects for their settlement. [redacted]

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Action:

SA/DCI/CI - Overall  
D/OS - Agenda Item "a"  
Ch/COMEX - Agenda Item "b"; consultation with OSI suggested  
C/DDO/CI - Comments for Agenda Items "c" and "d"  
C/DDO/SE - Comments for Agenda Item "c"

Information:

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Congressional Studies of Security Clearance Procedures in the Intelligence Community.

- September 1979 HPSCI published report with recommendations which were concerned with the need for greater uniformity in investigative procedures and standards, and a need for improved access to pertinent information. These recommendations are:
  - Standard background investigations needed for access to TS and SCI at the level now required for SCI.
  - Standard investigative reporting needed to insure that positive as well as adverse information is available for adjudicative consideration.
  - Study the use of polygraph to validate its accuracy.
  - Establish Community-wide criteria relating to the use of polygraph.
  - Establish uniform investigative procedures and a centralized office to conduct background investigations for the entire Intelligence Community.
  - Endorse legislation to give Federal investigative agencies access to criminal justice records for background investigations.
  - Resolve the inconsistency between Executive Order 10450, the FBI Guidelines, and the Privacy Act.
- The Security Committee is in agreement with most of the HPSCI recommendations; however, additional resources and legislation will be needed for implementation of all of them.
- GAO report of August 1979 - Cost of Federal Personnel Security Investigations Could and Should Be Cut.
  - Prepared for House Committee on Government Operations and is aimed entirely at cutting costs rather than at assuring effective and informative background investigation report

on which to base decisions effecting the National Security.

--No mention of use of polygraph in the report and it is aimed at EO 10450 considerations rather than protection of sensitive information, methods and sources.



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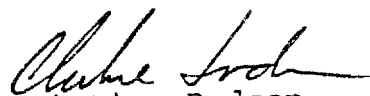
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE VICE PRESIDENT  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: SCC Meeting on Counterintelligence ☐ 25X1

The attached discussion paper is for your use for the SCC Meeting on Counterintelligence which will be held on February 7th at 4:00 in the White House Situation Room: ☐ 25X1

  
Christine Dodson  
Staff Secretary

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